

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 1518**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Perea**

January 17, 2012

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An act to add Section 12737 to the Business and Professions Code, relating to weighmasters.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1518, as introduced, Perea. Weighmasters: automated weighing systems.

Existing law provides for the licensure of weighmasters who weigh, measure, or count any commodity and issue a statement or memorandum that is used as the basis for either the purchase or sale of that commodity. Existing law requires that a weighmaster issue a signed weighmaster certificate whenever payment for the commodity is dependent on a written or printed weight, measure, or count.

This bill would authorize any weighmaster weighing any vehicle moving earth, stone, rock, sand, gravel, or asphalt paving materials to use an unattended weighing system to weigh the vehicle and to issue a weighmaster certificate, as provided. The bill would define an unattended weighing system as an automated system not directly under the supervision of a weighmaster that meets the approval, testing, and sealing requirements specified in existing law. The bill would state that it would not impact existing weighing and ticketing systems.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

SECTION 1. Section 12737 is added to the Business and Professions Code, to read:

12737. (a) Any weighmaster weighing any vehicle moving earth, stone, rock, sand, gravel, or asphalt paving materials may use an unattended weighing system to weigh the vehicle and to issue a weighmaster certificate. The name of the principal weighmaster and the unique system identification number of the unattended weighing system utilized shall be imprinted on the weighmaster certificate and this shall satisfy the requirements of subdivision (c) of Section 12715. Nothing in this section impacts existing weighing and ticketing systems.

(b) For purposes of this section:

(1) “Principal weighmaster” means the person or entity identified on the weighmaster certificate, as described in subdivision (b) of Section 12714, that may employ or designate any person to act for the weighmaster as a deputy weighmaster pursuant to Section 12710.

(2) “Unattended weighing system” means an automated system not directly under the supervision of a weighmaster that meets the approval, testing, and sealing requirements of Section 12717.